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mailed on August 15, 2003 is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment and Petition for Extension of Time

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants herewith submits their petition for an extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$110.00 to cover the extension for response within the first month as required by 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 15-0773.

The Commissioner is hereby also authorized to charge any deficiency of payment to Deposit Account No. 15-0773.

In response to the action mailed on August 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 8 of this paper.